



# *Proclamation* *Presented*

## **In Recognition of Speech Week in Hawai'i**

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** was organized to promote and encourage excellence in speech by sponsoring a diversified program of speech activities for intermediate and high school students. It is an organization composed of public and private schools from across the state of Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** sponsors approximately 13 tournaments in various speech and debate competitions held during the year as a nonprofit educational organization, commencing in October and culminating with the State Tournament in April; and

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** underlines that its competitions are open to all member schools comprised of intermediate and high school students from public and private schools throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** highlights that students qualify for the state finals by winning at one of the qualifying tournaments held during the year; and

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** recognizes that students and coaches put a tremendous amount of preparation and practice into fine-tuning skills for the rigorous competitions in the League's various events; and

**WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Speech League** reminds us that we are now approaching the annual Hawai'i State Forensic Championships, with debate events held on Thursday and Friday, April 10-11, 2014 at Ilene School; while speech events and debate final rounds will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at Punahou School;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 6-13, 2014, as

## **"SPEECH WEEK IN HAWAII"**

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the skill, talent, and determination that epitomize these exemplary young adults.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of March, 2014.

  
NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
SHAN S. TSUTSUI  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i